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1. On 15 January there was a rumor circulating among North Korean troops in the Pyongyang area that approximately 45,000 experienced Chinese Communist troops who have not been previously in combat against UN forces were being concentrated in an area north of the 38th parallel.
2. On the morning of 22 January approximately 25,000 Chinese Communist troops were moving east from the Suwon front. They were concentrating in the mountains east of Hoengson (127-59, 37-30), where a headquarters was established for guerrilla activities.
3. On 21 January in the Seoul-Suwon area the North Korean authorities were confiscating all ROK citizenship documents from refugees and citizens. It was rumored among the refugees that the documents were to be used by North Korean partisans in the ROK.
4. On 20 January Chinese Communist troops in the Kaesong-Seoul area claimed that they had no difficulty in surprising U.S. troop camps. The tactics which the Chinese favor as most effective are artillery concentrations followed by grenade attacks on a dark night. The grenades give the impression of a large number of attackers, causing the hasty abandonment of positions, weapons, and supplies.
5. On 18 January a reconnaissance unit for the Chinese Communist guerrilla troops appeared on the seacoast near Tunpo-ri (127-02, 36-56), Asan (126-58, 36-52), Taeon (126-18, 36-46), and Anmyon-do (126-22, 36-30), disguised as native fishermen.

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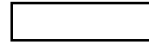
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6. Chinese Communist guerrillas are attempting to infiltrate into the ROK among the refugees, carrying forged identity cards similar to those issued to Chinese residents of the ROK. On 20 January small (undetermined) numbers of these guerrillas were concentrated in the areas of Kwangju (126-54, 35-08) and Kurye (127-28, 35-12). Their mission was to form liaison units in villages where there are numerous Communists to work with the Communists in Taegu and Pusan.

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